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THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : தனியார் துறையில் தான்.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : May I know when this factory will go into production?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : It is too early to say that. Licences and other things have been issued and very soon the company proposes to go in for capital issue.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : What are the commitments of the Government of Madras with reference to this factory?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : The Government of Madras as such have no commitment. But I would not be right with stopping with that answer. The Government of Madras have expressed their interest in such a venture by asking the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation to take shares to the tune of one crore of rupees in that venture.

*Construction of bus stands.*

* 97 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any State aid is given to Municipal Councils for construction of bus stands;

(*b*) if so, what they are;

(*c*) whether any similar aid has been given to Mayuram Municipal Council for construction of bus stand;

(*d*) whether any representation has been received by the Government regarding any irregularity in the settlement of tender for the work; and

(*e*) if so, what it is and the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON. (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) With a view to develop the productive resources of local bodies, a scheme known as "Loans to local bodies for productive enterprises scheme" was drawn up by Government for granting loans to local bodies and included in the Second Five-Year Plan to enable them to improve their productive enterprises and provide better amenities to the public. Under this scheme, local bodies are eligible for loans to cover the entire cost of works such as market, bus-stand, cart stands and slaughter houses.

(*c*) Loans of Rs. 18,000 and Rs. 40,000 have been sanctioned to the Mayuram Municipality for the improvements of the Municipal bus-stand during the year 1956–57 and 1957–58 respectively.

(*d*) No representation has been received by Government.

(*e*) Does not arise.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. Minister indicate to us what are the municipal councils that have taken advantage of the State aid referred to by her?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : A separate question may be put.

*Shark liver oil factory.*

* 98 *Q.*—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any shark liver oil factory is run by the Government in the State and, if so, what it is and the quantity of shark liver oil produced annually; and

(*b*) whether there was any talk with the Minister for Industries of Kerala State in regard to the supply of crude shark liver oil by the Government to the Kerala Government Factory at Kozhikode, and if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) The Minister for Industries of the Government of Kerala discussed with me on 12th July 1959 the question of the supply of crude shark liver oil from this State to the Government Oil Factory at Kozhikode. The points discussed and the decisions taken thereon were :—

(i) that the supplies to Government Oil Factory, Kozhikode, in respect of the period from 1st November 1956 to 31st March 1957 should be on no-loss no-profit basis and that the cost of 25 per cent of the pay and allowances of production staff should not be included in the cost price;

(ii) that the supplies during the period from 1st April 1957 to 31st March 1960 should be at the rate of Rs. 1·25 nP. per lb. of crude shark liver oil and that the agreement should be for a period of three years from 1st April 1957 and the price should be reviewed, if necessary, before entering into a fresh agreement for the subsequent period; and

(iii) that the oil should be supplied to the Government of Kerala " freight paid " and booked at Railway risk to the Government Oil Factory, Kozhikode, the empty drums being returned to the respective production centres of this State " freight paid ".

VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : நம்முடைய தமிழகத்தில் சுறா மீன் எண்ணெய்க்கு நிறைய கிராக்கி இருப்பதாலே, இங்கே ஒரு தொழிற்சாலை ஏற்படுத்துவதைப்பற்றி அரசாங்கம் யோசிக்குமா?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : கிராக்கியைக் கொண்டு தொழிற்சாலை ஆரம்பிக்க முடியாது. தொழிற்சாலைக்குப் போதுமான எண்ணெய் கிடைக்க வேண்டும். இப்பொழுது போதுமான எண்ணெய் இல்லை.